

Mr. Abraham Cooper of California.
Mr. Eric M. Ueland of Oregon.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to 15 requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

URGING SENATE PASSAGE OF THE HONORING OUR PACT ACT

(Mr. RUIZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. RUIZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to call on the Senate to immediately pass the Honoring our PACT Act.

In 2017, I met a veteran from Cathedral City, Jennifer Kepner, who developed pancreatic cancer due to her exposure to burn pits during her service in Iraq.

Despite being a young and otherwise healthy mother of two with no family history of cancer, she and her family faced roadblocks to getting the care that she needed from the VA.

At her kitchen table, she asked me to lead this fight, and I promised her I would. Now, 5 years later, we are closer than ever before to fulfilling Jennifer's vision for her fellow veterans.

With my provision included to get veterans the presumptive benefits they have earned and deserve, the Honoring our PACT Act will ensure that no other veteran will have to fight like Jennifer did for the care they need.

I urge the Senate to fulfill our Nation's promise to our veterans, honor Jennifer's memory, and pass the Honoring our PACT Act without delay.

WORLD UNIFICATION AGAINST PUTIN

(Mr. WILSON of South Carolina asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, yet again, the world is uniting against war criminal Putin and his murderous invasion of Ukraine.

The European Union is set to sign an agreement with Israel and Egypt which will free itself from Putin energy reliance. EU leaders say they will reduce Russian oil and gas imports, cutting financial resources to the Putin war machine where young Russians are sacrificed by Putin for personal gain of oil, money and power, while conducting mass murder in Ukraine.

In the plan, Israel will export natural gas in a pipeline to Egypt where it will be turned into liquified natural gas, then delivered to EU member states. I appreciate the service of Egyptian Ambassador to the U.S. Motaz Zahran.

During a trip to Israel this week, European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen said, The Kremlin's be-

havior only strengthens our resolve to break free of Russian fossil fuels.

In conclusion, God bless our troops who successfully protected America for 20 years in the global war on terrorism as it continues to move from the safe haven of Afghanistan to America.

As the co-chair of the EU Caucus and the Israel Caucus, I especially appreciate the cooperation we see today.

10TH ANNIVERSARY OF DACA

(Mr. CORREA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. CORREA. Mr. Speaker, today I rise in honor of the 10th anniversary of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program or DACA.

Today, Dreamers are doctors, soldiers, nurses, frontline workers, police officers, and firefighters, and many, many DACA recipients have made the ultimate sacrifice for this country.

Here is a picture of one of my constituents, Jose Angel Garibay. Jose Angel Garibay was killed in action. He was the first marine to make the ultimate sacrifice in Iraq from Orange County.

There are many, many more soldiers—DACA recipients—that have made the ultimate sacrifice for their new country. It is time to give them permanent status in the United States.

PROTECTING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS

(Mr. ALLEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. ALLEN. Mr. Speaker, with inflation at a 40-year high and a sluggish economy, attacking workers' freedoms should be the furthest thing from the President's mind.

President Biden's Department of Labor is in the process of changing the definition of an employee to include independent contractors. This would be devastating for the 19 million Americans who currently enjoy the flexibility that comes with building wealth by participating in the American Dream.

Under this change, workers classified as independent contractors would be subject to the same employment-related restrictions as traditional employees. This is an assault on the modern American worker.

Independent contractors were responsible for over 70 percent of the job growth during the last economic expansion before COVID. If we want to spur economic growth, we must remove barriers and allow our workforce to flourish.

Fortunately, my legislation, the Employee Rights Act, would codify protections for independent contractors, shielding them from these overreaching classifications.

NATIONAL DAIRY MONTH

(Mr. VALADAO asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. VALADAO. Mr. Speaker, June is National Dairy Month, an opportunity to honor the contributions of dairy farmers throughout the country.

I am proud to represent our Nation's largest dairy district and the hard-working men and women in the Central Valley who work tirelessly to provide our Nation with milk, cheese, ice cream, and all the other dairy products we enjoy.

There are over 30,000 dairy farms across the United States, and many of those are farmer-owned and operated. As a lifelong dairy farmer, I know firsthand the impact that these burdensome government regulations have on day-to-day operations of these family farms and businesses.

We need to reduce the regulatory burdens on our domestic agriculture producers and incentivize more production here at home. Supporting American agriculture and our dairy industry will bring food costs down and provide stability to our global food supply.

Thank you to our dairy farmers and manufacturers in the Central Valley and across the country for their contributions to our community. Happy Dairy Month.

2022 PHILANTHROPISTS OF THE YEAR

(Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Ms. HERRERA BEUTLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise to congratulate Ron and Terry Prill for being recognized as the 2022 Philanthropists of the Year.

For two decades, Ron and Terry have dedicated their lives to worthy causes, positively impacting residents across southwest Washington.

After retiring and moving to Camas, Ron served on the board of the Boys and Girls Club of Southwest Washington, helping make a difference in the lives of countless kids in our communities.

This venture inspired the Prills to continue giving back through other organizations. Among their numerous acts of charity, Ron and Terry have been highly supportive of several healthcare-related nonprofits and were critical in expanding PeaceHealth Southwest Washington's operations.

This includes a remodeled cardiology unit with state-of-the-art equipment and a cardiac education center, which provides care to countless patients and their families.

Ron and Terry, thank you for your unwavering support of our communities, and congratulations again on this well-deserved recognition.

RECOGNIZING THE LIBERTY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY BULLDOGS

(Mr. CLINE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1